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Weekly Benefice Bulletin

Sunday 12th April 2026

Easter Joy

I have just received an email from the 'Which' consumer society telling me the latest news of the Best Before Buy-you-won't-want-to-keep,"including the bad frying pan and the bed-sausage! Really!?

I have other matters on my mind at the moment, including the terrible conflict and events in the Ukraine, the terrible situations (plural) in Palestine and Iran, the questionable decisions of the American Administration, and wondering what our own government may or may not be doing. Then there is the number of people being killed or maimed in the road of life, the number of people who are suffering from the effects of addiction, the number of people spending every (or everyday). With all this in mind I am trying to focus clearly on the miraculous resurrection of our Lord Jesus. Just where is he in all this?

Well, he is in the Ukraine, he is in the Rich of Ur, in the Israeli shelters of war, at the side of people making stupid decisions and those trying to balance their domestic finances. He was sad that Ivan felt he had to crawl wherever he ended, asking other Ivans from the Ukrainian Ivan's to help him. He is in the Middle East, he is with them. He is also with those who are in Iran and those who are trying to survive. Especially locally at Easter.

After his death the Gospels reported that his body could not be found, only the grave clothes remained. Jesus was not there, he was risen, he was alive and he was not prepared to be kept in a tomb. Those disciples and first Christians believed that at his death Jesus had sort of 'melted into God, or so to put it another way, that the essential being of Jesus as the Son of God was revealed as always being one with the Father.

Death did not destroy, but simply revealed what the disciples had begun to realise, that Jesus was and always had been God. So, there wasn't any hesitation in proclaiming to Jesus in the same way they had always prayed to God. They could no longer think of God without thinking of Jesus, and they could no longer think of Jesus without thinking of God. Jesus's guidance and the strength he provided in managing and coping with human life, with all its demands and challenges. This was their experience.

It was this that turned the Christian church in the first place, and which is at its heart today. Wherever there are humans in whatever circumstances, there is Jesus. Christians have believed this for over two thousand years and consequently have changed the world.

This is what we believe, what we proclaim. Joyful resurrection in action! Amen.

Brian McQuillen

This week's services

Sunday 12th April

St Erme	10:30	**Holy Communion TEAM SERVICE** Linda
Probus	10:30	Soul Resurrect Nigel

Readings this week
Psalm 34
Acts 2:14a,36-41
John 20:19-31

Collect for Sunday
Almighty Father,
you have given your only Son to die for our sins
and to rise again for our justification:
grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness
that we may celebrate the feast
in sincerity of living and truth,
through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

Next week's services

Thursday 16th April

Probus	12:00	Holy Communion Linda

Sunday 19th April

Probus	9.30	Praise & Worship and Baptism Caroline
Trevellan	10.00	APCM Caroline
St Erme	9.30	Holy Communion Linda
St Ives	11.00	Parish Praise LMLS
Ladock	11.00	Holy Communion Pat
Trevellan	10.00	Holy Communion Linda

Readings next Sunday
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
Acts 3:14a, 18-21
Luke 24:13-35

Home Groups

Our midweek home groups are a real blessing to be part of, a place where we share life, faith and friendship. It's often the first time to hear what someone needs prayer or has good news to share.

We hope these groups will continue to grow and welcome new members as we journey together in faith.

For details about the different midweek home groups you can join, please contact the home group leaders.

Grampound with Creed meets on Thursday evenings (weekly) with William & Ruth Trinnick (various locations).

Probus meets on Tuesday evenings (fortnightly) with Scott and Sue Hall

Probus will be meeting Thursday afternoons (fortnightly) with Liz and Chris Hendriksen. Please contact Liz on 07525 456404.

Trevellan – We are hoping to begin a daytime group in Trevellan, more news to follow, but if you would like to offer your home please let Rev. Caroline know.

Children & Young People's Groups

Probus - Little Lighter Thursday 24th April, 9:30am - 11:30am
Probus - Fourth Stream Sunday 19th April, 6.30pm - 7.30pm

6pm - 7pm

at Probus Church

A warm, welcoming space for simply be you!
refreshments • games • crafts • activities

For children in Year 6 through to Year 10 (inclusive)

For more information please email
youth@probuschurch

Free Entry
We can't wait to see you!!

Benefice notices

Together @ 10 Team Service at St Erme

This is a time for the whole team to come together at St Erme for Harvest Benefice to come together after the Sunday morning at 10am.

To assist with the chill, it's best to highlight some local geographic that may affect anyone coming to the service. Planning is a little limited, although we will try and get as many cars as possible up the church drive, we can manage up to 8. Some car-sharing might be a good idea.

At present there are roadworks outside the school, where many cars need to park and the road is controlled by traffic lights. This could affect anyone coming down the back roads from Ladock, Probus or Trevellan.

Across the Upper Fal Parishes

We welcome the very and all these regular events across the parishes. Please contact the leaders if you would like more details and dates of your nearest or easiest to take place around the Benefice:

CREED
Coffee morning in the summer months more info to come!
GRAMPOUND
Home Groups
Thursday evenings for further details
St William 07767 243462
Ladock
Coffee Morning at Ladock Village Hall
1st Saturday each month: 10-12noon
Probus 07525 456404
Meets at St Ladock church
Bell-ringing Practice
Tuesday evenings
Contact Jonathan for more info
LANDRIAN
2nd Sunday most summer months 2pm
A service of evening prayer with refreshments after wards
Trevellan
Home Groups
Alternate weeks, Tuesdays/ Thursdays evenings
Mary Tavy 07525 456404
Theyre Lot 07525 456404
Tots Praise
Last Tuesday each month: 9.30 - 11.30
This is a time and play group for families and toddlers. Once a month we share a Gospel story, song and prey usually with bubbles.

Prayer Meeting
Monday 9.15-11.0am
TRESILLIAN
Lunch Group at Holy Trinity, Trevillian
1st Tuesday each month 12-2pm
Booking essential for Clare 01872 520198

A Call to Prayer

This week, a call has gone out to Christian Communities across the world to join together in prayer for the Church of Iran. Christians in Iran are facing increasing persecution and are only now to prayer for just one minute per day to pray for peace, safety and protection. The result was so astonishing that soon after the bombings had stopped. Christian communities from all over the world joined together in prayer for Iran. Christians in Iran have asked us to join them, to join the world in prayer. Please pray for peace for the whole world, for Iran and continue to and, and for the safety of all people.

APCM's

We are now in the season of Annual Parochial Church Meetings which will be held at each parish church.

- **Grampound with Creed** Tuesday 14th April 7.00pm (St Craze)
- **Probus** Sunday 26th April 9.30am
- **Trevellan** Sunday 26th April 10.00am
- **St Erme** Thursday 30th April 7.30pm

During the APCM reports will be shared, in fact ideas, so that all members of the church can learn what the PCC has been working on over the year plus to understand the priorities set and to work out together what the priorities might be for the coming year. This is an opportunity to ask questions and to offer support. You are most welcome to attend these meetings.

Schools Team

Our aim is to pray and bring to create a schools team that will engage with all our schools a couple of times each year providing spiritual and creative ways for children to engage with the Christian faith and traditions. All roles will be safely recruited into in accordance with our safeguarding policy. Please contact Revd Caroline for more information.

Pastoral Administrator

We are looking for someone who would be willing to provide a little admin support to the pastoral work of our churches. This will require sending cards periodically around the year. For a role description and more information please contact Revd Caroline.

In Memoriam: Gill Saker

It is with great sadness that we remember Gill Saker, a much-loved and faithful member of the Probus Church congregation, who has recently passed away.

Gill was a warm and constant presence within our church family. Her kindness, gentle spirit, and quiet faithfulness touched many lives over the years. She will be remembered with love, shared conversations, and her steadfast prayer support in church life, and enough light and comfort to those around her.

Gill will be remembered for her generosity of heart, her friendship, and her deep connection to this community. She leaves behind not only cherished memories but also a lasting example of compassion and faith in action.

Her funeral service will be held on **Friday 17th April at 2.00pm at Probus Church.** In keeping with her family's wishes, those attending are invited to wear bright colours, celebrating Gill's life and the joy she brought to others.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Gill's family and loved ones at this difficult time. She will be greatly missed and family remembered by all who knew her.

In Memoriam: David Nichols

It is with deep sadness that we remember David Nichols, a long-standing and valued member of the Probus Church congregation, who has recently passed away.

David was a familiar and much-appreciated presence in the life of our church for many years. His steady faith, quiet strength, and warm nature made him a trusted friend and a dedicated member of our community. His contribution to the life of the congregation, and his presence will be greatly missed.

Those who knew David will remember his kindness, his gentle manner, and his willingness to be there for others. He was someone who embodied a quiet devotion—both to his faith and to the community he was part of.

As we give thanks for David's life, we hold his family and loved ones in our thoughts and prayers, asking that they may find comfort and peace in the days ahead.

David will be fondly remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Bluebell Walk @ St Erme

Sunday April 19th 2026
2.30 pm to 5.30 pm

Tregassow Manor Farm, St Erme, TR4 9RL

A walk through ancient bluebell woodland for
St Erme Church and Tregoss Community Centre

Adults £4, Children Free
Tea, Coffee and Cupcakes available in the Barn
Dogs welcome

Our Centre

Monday 13th April
Café Café, 10am - 12pm
Community Garden 9am - 10am
Cwtchula's Lunch 12pm - 2.30pm

Tuesday 14th April
Coffee Morning, 9.30am - 12pm

Wednesday 15th April
Mum Mornings, 10am - 12pm
Cwtchula's Lunch 12pm - 2pm
Probus Community Support & Information Service 2pm - 4pm
Community Garden 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Friday 17th April
Coffee Morning 9am - 11am
Community Garden 9am - 10am

Saturday 18th April
Community Garden 9.30am - 10.30am
Coffee Morning 9.30am - 12.30pm

Soul Resonance @ Probus, 7pm, Sunday 12th April

Events and News from Mothers' Union in Cornwall

Dates for your diary
Mothers' Union Open Afternoons
St Ives Methodist Church - Wednesday 14th April - 14:00 - 16:30
St Ives at Tum Calabashes - 14:00 - 16:30

Mothers' Union Good Day
23 July St Endellion (near Port Isaac) – 10:30 – 15:30

Mothers' Union Banner Fund
Please can you look for your Mothers' Union Banner? Most churches had one and many still have it stored. We hope to celebrate our 140th anniversary in 2026 and would like to make a beautiful new banner.

We are holding an exhibition of MU banners in the Cathedral in August as part of our 100th anniversary celebrations and it would be marvellous if we could include your banner. We are hoping to collect 140 of them.

If you would like to join in, please send your contact details (and if possible, a photo of your banner) to Harriet Lewis (w.a.lewis@yahoo.com).

Thank you very much for letting your correspondents know about Mothers' Union. To find out more about us, visit: https://www.mothersunion.org/cornwall

Best wishes to you and everyone at your church,
Judith
Corinna, Mothers' Union, Diocese of Truro

Age UK Coach trip to the Royal Cornwall Show, Thursday 4th June 2026

Age UK Cornwall is the sea of Eccle are offering a coach trip to this year's Royal Cornwall Show in Wadebridge on Saturday 4th June.
They are providing transportation & & from the showground, entry ticket to the showground and a costly voucher for lunch. The coach departs Truro at 9.00 and returns at approx. 18.00 depending on the traffic. The cost is £25 per person. It is one and two in a possible seat, so if you want to share with someone, please let us know. Unfortunately we are unable to arrange any group for insurance or travel purposes alone.
If you would like to apply for this offer, please email sadmin@ageuk.cornwall for an application form. Applications and payments need to be made by Friday, 24th April.

Generosity and Stewardship Matters

Financially Supporting your church:
The Parish Giving Scheme is our preferred method of receiving regular giving within the churches of Probus, Ladock and Grampound. If you haven't already transferred from other methods of giving then cheques can have it sent to Rosie through the link here or by contacting your treasurer.

Please do consider whether this is a good time to review your regular giving at the church, or perhaps you would like to give a future donation and leave a gift in your will. The Church of England has produced guidance on legacy giving, which you can find here.

Newsletter Submissions

Please send your items for here or for the weekly bulletin to Matthew at **ApfaWebmaster@gmail.com** and make sure the subject line clearly indicates that it is a newsletter submission.
Thank you.

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